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SUBJECT: GENERAL GONZALEZ' ASYLUM

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1. I HAVE LEARNED FROM SEVERAL SOURCES THAT GENERAL RAUL GONZALEZ IS NOT PROVING AN EASY ASYLEE FOR THE CHILEAN EMBASSY. FOR ONE THING, GONZALEZ HAS APPARENTLY BEEN ACCORDED COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES: HE HAS TRIED TO TELEPHONE ME SEVERAL TIMES, AND HE SUCCEEDED IN GETTING OUT A PUBLISHED STATEMENT IN THE SEPTEMBER 5 PRESS DEFENDING HIS COUP ATTEMPT AND DENYING HE WAS A "TRAITOR". THE LATTER CIRCUMSTANCE OF GETTING OUT A PRESS RELEASE WHILE IN ASYLUM HAS CREATED DIFFICULTIES FOR THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR, GENERAL (R.) PABLO SCHAFFHAUSER THE FOREIGN MINISTRY MADE AN ORAL PROTEST TO HIM BY PHONE (THE AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN ILL) BUT HE PREEMPTORILY REJECTED IT. GONZALES HAS TOLD THE CHILEANS HE WILL PROVIDE THEM WITH A LIST OF "COMMUNISTS" IN THE GOE AND HAS PROVIDED THEM WITH A LIST OF HIS COLLABORATORS. (BEGIN FYI. AS STATED IN GUAYAQUIL 1417, THE LIST OF HIS COLLABORATORS HAS BEEN PROMISED TO US BY HIS DAUGHTER. AS FOR THE LIST OF COMMUNISTS, THAT HAS ALSO BEEN VOLUNTEERED TO US BY CONTACTS IN THE CHILEAN EMBASSY. END FYI) THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR IS THINKING OF USING THIS INFORMATION AGAINST THE GOE SHOULD
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IT CONTINUE IN ITS PROTESTS ABOUT THE CONDITIONS OF

GONZALEZ' ASYLUM.

2. MEANWHILE, A CERTAIN APTITUDE FOR INVENTIVENESS IS
BEING SHOWN BY THE CHILEAN AMBASSADOR. HE HAS TOLD ME
(AND OTHERS) THAT AFTER LEAVING MY HOUSE AT 2:30 P.M.
ON SEPTEMBER 1 GENERAL GONZALEZ WENT TO A PRIVATE HOME
WHERE HE LEFT THE COMMUNIQUE IN QUESTION AND THEN
PROCEEDED TO THE CHILEAN RESIDENCE WHERE HE DID NOT
ARRIVE UNTIL QUARTER AFTER FOUR. THE FACT HAPPENS TO
BE, AS I'VE ASCERTAINED FROM THE TAXI CAB DRIVER WHO
TOOK GENERAL GONZALEZ FROM MY RESIDENCE, THAT HE WENT
ALMOST DIRECTLY TO THE CHILEAN RESIDENCE.
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